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Appellant(s): Patrick Michael McCaffrey et al.

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This paper is in response to the Final Official Action mailed on June 26, 2006. Payment for one month's extension of time is attached. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0002 if any fees are needed to enter this paper, and please advise us accordingly. It is noted that no petition is required because of the authorization to charge, but this paper is a petition for extension of time.

Claims 4 and 24 are canceled without prejudice to reentry and their subject matter is incorporated into their respective base claims. By this amendment and the arguments below, the independent claims 1 and 21 are allowable. Independent claim 9 is canceled without prejudice to reentry. Therefore, entry is proper. Entry and allowance are requested.

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